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## GREENBELT REACTS TO BUSING

### Council Reaffirms Request For Delay in Jan. 29 Plan

by Al Skolnik

The Monday, January 8, city council meeting saw a replay of the arguments and the motions arising out of the court-ordered plan for desegregation of the Prince Georges County school system. Three weeks earlier, on December 18, the council had turned down a motion opposing the forced busing of school children to achieve racial balance in the county. Last Monday, by the same 3-2 vote, the council majority of Charles Schwan, Gil Weidenfeld, and Rhea Cohen turned down a similar motion proposed by councilwoman Elizabeth Maffay and supported by Mayor Richard Pilski.

Also, on December 18, the council had passed a motion supporting the Prince Georges Board of Education's request to the court to delay implementation of busing plans until September 1973. This motion, supported by council members Schwan, Weidenfeld, and Cohen, was resented by Pilski and Maffay because it was introduced at midnight after the audience had departed and after the Mayor had assured the departing audience that any other motions would be held over till the next council meeting.

#### Defends Motion

Last Monday, the three-member council majority, responding to what they thought was an unfair charge of impropriety, reintroduced a similar motion before a full audience of 50 persons, so that, in the words of the sponsor, Weidenfeld, "no one can charge that the citizenry didn't have the opportunity to express its views."

Actually, Weidenfeld said, the idea of seeking a delay in the bus plan had been discussed before the full audience at the December 18 meeting and the only reason it had not been formally introduced at that time was because the Mayor had prematurely cut off discussion. It was introduced later that evening, Weidenfeld said, when it was realized that if council was to have maximum impact on this issue, it could not wait until the next meeting.

The Weidenfeld motion of last Monday asked the city council to support the position taken by Senator Beall, Congressman Hogan, Governor Mandel, and the Prince Georges school board that implementation of the busing plan be delayed until September 1973 "to avoid a severe hardship on the Prince Georges county students, to provide time to consider possible inequities in the plan, and to resolve other problems related to the busing plan."

#### CORRECTION

Based on information received from the Board of Education staff, the News Review last week reported that elementary students from Lakeside North would — in addition to Boxwood Village — be attending the John Carroll Elementary School. This information was incorrect. The 46 school children from Lakeside North, who are now being bused to the North End School, will remain at that school.

An official of the Board of Education's Pupil Accounting Office explained that if students from Lakeside North had been transferred it would have been necessary to divide the Boxwood neighborhood to bring the total bused to 150. This would have conflicted with the board's policy of keeping children from the same neighborhood together.

laid until September 1973 "to avoid a severe hardship on the Prince Georges county students, to provide time to consider possible inequities in the plan, and to resolve other problems related to the busing plan."

#### Motion Accepted by All

This time the motion received the unanimous support of council. Pilski said that the motion was well-written, he approved it, but he wanted to make clear that he was opposed to forced busing and did not consider the motion a substitute for the Maffay motion.

The council also passed unanimously a motion introduced by Mrs. Cohen that the council make a public appeal for the establishment of a community ad hoc school leadership committee that would work with the schools to meet the problems that can be anticipated if the desegregation plan is implemented on January 29. Council will call for the various civic groups, churches, youth groups, PTA's etc. to send delegates to an organizational meeting on Tuesday, January 16.

This motion arose out of the concern of several audience speakers that much of the discussion on busing dealt with philosophical, constitutional, and long-range aspects, with little attention directed to the real problems of helping to ease the transition that will take place in three weeks if appeals for a delay are unsuccessful. Among the problems that the ad hoc committee might work on, it was thought, were that of organizing car pools, expanding the court parent system, improving bus safety, welcoming children from other areas, etc.

Several council members and speakers also alluded to the feeling that council could really do little in the area of settling constitutional issues, but could have input with respect to the singular problems that will face the community in the coming months. For example,

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### Boxwood Residents Meet Condemn Busing as Unjust

by Elaine Skolnik

Reflecting the practically unanimous feeling that their community was unfairly bearing the brunt for all of Greenbelt in the latest desegregation plan for elementary school children, Boxwood Village residents directed their Civic Association officials on January 3 to prepare a strong objection against the busing of Boxwood Village children (elementary and junior high) on the grounds that Boxwood Village is abiding by the spirit of the law and is achieving racial integration. About 11 of the 199 families residing in the development are black.

Under the order issued by Judge Frank A. Kaufman calling for the implementation of the plan by January 29, elementary school children in Boxwood Village, University Square Apartments and Charles-towne Village will be bused to John Carroll Elementary school. The only other Greenbelt elementary school children to be bused are 175 Springhill Lake students to Oakcrest Elementary school.

About 180 persons attended the Boxwood Village Civic Association meeting on Wednesday night, January 3, at the library, including Mayor Richard Pilski, and county councilman Francis White.

#### For Neighborhood Schools

Mayor Pilski led the argument for the neighborhood school concept and urged the civic association to lend its voice to change the existing law through Congressional action. Otherwise he foresaw that desegregation plans could be produced which would call for busing across jurisdictional and county lines.

Pilski said that elected officials must be made to realize that they have to represent the wishes of the people. He was especially miffed that the Board of Education did not ask for input from the City of Greenbelt. He further took the city council to task for not supporting councilwoman Elizabeth Maffay's anti-busing resolution at its December 18 meeting. Decrying their action in passing a motion to request that the plan not be implemented until September, Pilski said, "It frightens me when they conduct business at midnight after everyone has left." Later in the evening John Churchill said that Pilski misrepresented the position of the majority of council.

#### County Council Action

County councilman White also stressed that relief could only come from Congress; that legislative bodies such as the county council have no standing in court. He pointed to the January 5 resolution of county council calling on the U. S. Congress to enact legislation pro-

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#### WHAT GOES ON

Thurs., Jan. 11, 7:45 p.m. GHI

Board Meeting, Hamilton Pl.

Fri., Jan. 12, 8:30 p.m. Dupli-

cate Bridge, Coop Hospitality

Room

Mon., Jan. 15, 8 p.m. Public Hear-

ing on Annexation, and con-

tinuation of Jan. 8 City Coun-

cil Meeting, Municipal Bldg.

Tues., Jan. 16, 8 p.m. St. Hugh's

Home & School Association,

Grenoble Hall

8 p.m. Council — proposed

School Leadership Committee,

Municipal Building

Wed., Jan. 17, 8 p.m. Homemak-

er's Meeting, 5-D Laurel Hill

## Schools Involved In Transition Preparing For January 29 Move Mary Bethune Jr. High, El. Schools

by Bernice Kastner

According to the Prince Georges County school desegregation schedule, 398 Junior High students from Greenbelt will be transferred to Mary Bethune in Chapel Oaks on January 29. Thomas A. Myrick, the principal of Bethune, and his staff are already busy preparing to make the transition go as smoothly as possible and to help Greenbelt students feel at home.

Principal Myrick is in his fourth year at Bethune and thus worked through the first stage of desegregation three years ago. Though he is still awaiting more information to complete his planning, various staff members have been assigned to make sure that each incoming student has a schedule, locker facilities, books, etc., and that each outgoing student's records are as complete as possible. The guidance counselor for each grade will be assisted by two teachers in scheduling students. Committees of teachers, administrators, students and parents are preparing for an open house before the 29th (exact date to be announced) and orientation programs for the students.

The school, built in 1960, is a modern three-story building with a capacity of 980 students, though the student body presently numbers 815. Myrick expects his faculty to be increased from 46 to over 50 to accommodate the increased enrollment. The percentage of black students will change from 60% to between 25 and 30%. The faculty has been desegregated in stages over the past three years, and is about 75% white.

Students will find the program of studies at Bethune very much like that at Greenbelt. English, social studies and science classes are standard throughout the county; Math offerings range from General Math through Algebra I, Algebra I (first part), and Geometry in the ninth grade. A computer terminal will be installed in the building in February and the school plans to provide some time with this equipment to every student in every math program.

French and Spanish are taught by the Foreign Language Department; there are band, strings, and chorus classes; industrial arts classes are open to girls on a space available basis, and home economics classes are similarly open to boys. Business education is offered in the ninth grade. (Students in those classes have been typing the school newspaper.)

There are plans for teachers to meet with each other in the schools which are interchanging students to resolve problems resulting from bringing together students who have been using different textbooks for similar programs.

In addition to band, orchestra, chorus, student council, newspaper, the extra-curricular activities at Bethune include athletics, girls athletics, science club, drama club, PTA, cheerleaders and others. Activities buses are provided, and Myrick observed that the drivers of these buses have never missed any student.

Several Greenbelt parents have visited the school recently. All are urged to attend The Open House. The date of which will soon be announced. Parents wishing to visit the school (before 10 a.m.) are asked to telephone and make an appointment, as the staff is working overtime preparing for the transition.

#### Homemakers' Club Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of the Homemakers will be held on Wednesday, January 17, at 8 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Sandra Barnes, 5-D Laurel Hill Road. Roni LeFebvre will make a presentation on the subject, "Plants in Your Home." Any woman in Greenbelt is invited to attend any of the meetings of the Homemakers' Club. For further information call the president, Mrs. Barnes (474-5310). Homemakers' Clubs are affiliated with the Extension Service of the University of Maryland.

Information collected by Kathrin Gough, Barbara Likowski and Elaine Skolnik

Principals, teachers, students parents, and school counsellors are busy planning strategy to insure a smooth transition if the county schools are ordered to desegregate on January 29.

#### Elementary Schools

Mrs. Gretta Henry, principal of John Carroll elementary school has invited parents and students from North End and Center schools to an open house at Carroll on Sunday, January 21 at 3 p.m. Mrs. Henry plans to have teachers and parents of Carroll students on hand so that people can get to know one another and learn more about the school. Guests will have an opportunity to learn about the ongoing program of the school, visit classrooms and view equipment. Any questions that parents may have will be welcomed.

Teachers of North End and John Carroll Elementary Schools have been coordinating programs this week to assure continuity for the children being exchanged between the two schools.

In an effort to ease transition, representatives from each class of North End toured Carroll and 25 students from Carroll have visited North End. Mrs. Helene Poland North End principal also accompanied a group of 7 parents on a visit to Carroll last Friday.

Plans for the remaining week include a North End visitation-day on Wednesday, January 16 from 8:30 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Robert Ellis, principal of Center school, has informed parents and students by means of a special bulletin that the school personnel are working to get ready for the transfer of approximately 151 students between John Carroll and Center.

Students of Carroll and Center have been getting acquainted with one another by means of visits to one another's schools. This week a group of Center children were given a tour of Carroll ending with lunch in the Carroll cafeteria with members of their student council. A return visit of Carroll students was held today. Center's student council is working on further plans to get acquainted with the Carroll students.

Plans are also being made for an open house at Center. Ellis met with interested parents on Tuesday night to discuss the open house and the further coordination of plans between the two schools.

#### Junior High

Greenbelt Junior High School principal Francis Furgang reports that the school's Human Relations Committee, which is composed of students, teachers and parents, has held several meetings. Recommendations of the committee and Furgang were presented at Tuesday's PTSA meeting. Furgang hoped that plans to prepare those students coming into the school and those going out will be implemented next week.

Anticipated programs will include the following:

1. Sending orientation teams of students, teachers, vice-principals, principal, and possibly parents to those schools sending students to Greenbelt Junior High. (One such school is Mary Bethune Junior High, which all Greenbelt students with the exception of Springhill Lake will attend.) Orientation leaders will report back and meet with students.
2. Inviting other schools to send orientation teams to Greenbelt.
3. Providing incoming students with handbooks.
4. Acquainting students, parents, and teachers from schools sending new students with Greenbelt Jr. High through orientation sessions on one or two of the days when schools will be closed by the county (Jan. 24, 25, 26.)
5. Homeroom discussion sessions.
6. Open house for parents.
7. Group meetings with students.
8. Group discussion exchanges.
9. Buddy systems.

### PUBLIC HEARING OF CITY COUNCIL

Monday,  
January 15, 1973  
8:00 P.M.

Resolution No. 247 of the Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, Enlarging the Corporate Boundaries of the City of Greenbelt by Annexing Land Contiguous and Adjoining the Existing Corporate Area.

Following the Public Hearing, the City Council will continue the Agenda of the Regular Meeting of January 8, 1973:

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## Immunizations Required

During its fall immunization campaign, the Prince Georges County Health Department has administered about 4,000 shots in its Saturday clinics. However, there are still many children who are not in compliance with new State immunization regulations. All children between the ages of one and 14 are eligible.

New state regulations that become effective Jan. 1, 1973, require all children enrolled in public, private or parochial kindergarten, first grade, day care centers or preschool programs to be inoculated against polio, measles, diphtheria, tetanus, whooping cough and German measles. By September, 1973, all children through grade six will be required to have completed this immunization series.

Beginning January 6, the following clinics will provide immunizations on the first Saturday of each month from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.: Ager Road Health Clinic, 6111 Ager Road, West Hyattsville; John Carroll Health Clinic, 1400 Nalley Terrace, Landover.

## LIT COURSES AT NIGHT

Two English courses popular at Prince Georges Community College will be offered during weekly three-hour evening sessions next semester.

"Literature for Children" will feature guest lecturers on the art of story telling along with major illustrators of children's literature. Discussion on children's films and controversial children's books will be included in the course.

Also offered at night is "English Literature since 1800," including romantic and Victorian poetry and 20th Century novels.

For information, call 336-6000.

## Tire Chains Safer On Ice

National Safety Council tests have shown that the new radial and belted tires offer no advantage over conventional tires when driving on ice, according to Prince Georges County's Chief of Police Roland B. Sweitzer.

The Chief cited tests showing that the old reliable reinforced tire chains still provide the best performance on ice. The National Safety Council's Committee on Winter Driving Hazards rates tire chains as providing more than seven times the traction of conventional tires on ice. Studded tires, permitted in Maryland only from October 15 to April 30, provided three times the traction of conventional tires but still less than half the traction of tire chains.

## Boykoff-Streett

Former Greenbelters Mr. and Mrs. George Boykoff announce the engagement of their daughter Gail to Michael Harris Streett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Streett of Silver Spring.

Ms. Boykoff attended the Corcoran School of Art and is an artist for the Federal Government. Streett is a graduate of the University of Maryland in the field of anthropology and education and teaches in the Montgomery County School System.

## Domchick-Barton

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Domchick Sr., of Greenbelt, announce the engagement of their daughter, Margaret Elizabeth, to Robert E. Barton, USAF, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joel Barton of Greenbelt. A June wedding is planned.

## Boys-Girls Club News

Sports equipment should be handed in on Saturday, January 13. Names of those with outstanding equipment are posted at the Youth Center and will be billed after this date.

A board of directors meeting will be held January 29, 7 p.m. at the Youth Center. All past board members are invited and anyone wishing to learn more about the club. Ideas are always welcome to improve the growing interest in the club and our community.

Basketball coaches are still badly needed; experience is not necessary, only basic knowledge of the sport and the willingness to work with boys and girls. Interested people should call Arnie Rizner 345-8072 or Jerry Shafer 474-1827. Intramural basketball teams are now being formed for boys 9 and under.

## Drug Abuse Counselling

The county's 20 roving leaders, who staff community centers under the county government's Drug Intervention Counselling Action Program, are presently receiving intensive training in counselling and handling teens at a "crisis stage". One of the Roving Leader Centers is located in the Ridge Road Recreation Center, 345-1652. This center is staffed by roving leaders, who are in their late teens and early twenties, and by part time professional therapists. Plans call for a full time therapist by spring.

The center is open to youth and parents who wish to talk out their problems and learn how to get help for drug abuse and other difficulties. Therapy sessions and drug awareness programs suited to the needs of any community group can be arranged at the center.

## Lion's Club in December

Distributed the Greenbelt phone directory free to 6,000 residents.

Sold fruit cake and candy; proceeds of which go back to the community through community service programs.

Contributed \$920 to the victims of the Springhill Lake fire.

Helped a needy family at Christmas time.

Donated benches to the City for use at bus stops.

Sponsored a New Year's Eve dance for the community at the Armory.

## St. Hugh's Home-School

The Home and School Association of St. Hugh's will meet on Tuesday, Jan. 16 at 8 p.m. in Greenbelt Hall. The business portion of the meeting will discuss physical education.

The main speaker for the evening will be Mr. Hampshire of the Maryland State Police Department, who will present a program on Drugs and their harmful effects.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

## Boswell-Colombo

Mr. & Mrs. Wilmer E. Boswell 21-H Ridge Road announce the marriage of their daughter Katherine to Steven A. Colombo of The United States Navy, on December 30, 1972, at St. Hugh's Church. The couple will reside in Riverdale, Md.

## PAINTINGS AT LIBRARY

The paintings of Mrs. Evelyn Fishbein are on display in the Adult Services Department of the Greenbelt Library during January. Mrs. Fishbein has been exhibiting in the Washington metropolitan area since 1960. She has had many one man shows and was one of the artists selected to exhibit in the 23rd Annual Metropolitan Art Exhibit at the Smithsonian Institution.



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## NOTICE OF MEETING

## SCHOOL LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE

Due to the concern of Greenbelt residents about the effects of the implementation of a court imposed busing system for Greenbelt elementary and junior high school students, the City Council of Greenbelt has called a meeting for

TUESDAY, JANUARY 16, 1973

GREENBELT MUNICIPAL BUILDING

8:00 P.M.

The purpose of this meeting is to use the city's good offices to bring together interested citizens to discuss ways and means of alleviating problems relating to the new busing plan, if it is implemented, and to consider establishing an ad hoc school leadership committee.

Representatives of Parent-Teachers Associations, youth groups, each class of the Greenbelt Junior High School student body, and other interested organizations and citizens are invited to attend.

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Church School (Kindergarten through adults) 9:30 A.M.

9:45 A.M.	Sunday School	6:00 P.M.	Training Union
11:00 A.M.	Morning Worship	7:00 P.M.	Evening Worship
7:30 P.M. Wednesday	Midweek Service		

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# Letters to the Editor

## Re: Bleeding Hearts

To the Editor:

At two consecutive city council meetings - the "Bleeding Heart" element of Greenbelt tried their utmost to label me as super conservative, redneck, staging a play for votes, etc., regarding my opposition to the forced busing of school children. Permit me, please, to pose the following questions to this group: Have you tried recently to brighten the Holiday season for a homeless black boy - by providing funds and transportation so he could select for himself and a friend a Christmas present? I did. Have you ever taken the time to go to Annapolis with, and on behalf of Welfare mothers, to lobby for a sorely needed increase in benefits? I did.

Have you, on many occasions, provided food, clothing and money to needy in our county? I have.

Would you have, back on '55, in the state of Alabama - fought vigorously for Civil Rights? I did.

Have the black leaders in P. G. County urged you to run for State or County office because they say, "YOU CARE". They have asked me. I could go on, but hope you get the message. Talk is cheap. Standing up at a city council meeting tooting your own horn as a selfrighteous liberal takes little or no effort. I am opposed to busing, as are numerous black parents. Busing our kids will not achieve the expected results - harmony and mutual trust. This can only be achieved by fully integrating our neighborhoods. I am working constantly toward this, by requesting the President and Congress to give this priority status.

Conservative, Redneck, Vote Seeker? I protest!  
Elizabeth K. Maffay  
Councilwoman

## Deceptive Tactics

To The Editor:

I can sympathize with Michael Burchick's reaction to the deceptive tactics of the city council, since they used a somewhat similar tactic about a year ago on the issue of a walkway/sidewalk for Lakeside Drive. A majority of residents on that street opposed the idea, the hour grew late and the matter was postponed for several weeks. Then, with no fanfare, council proceeded to resolve that said walkway would be forced on the unwilling residents of Lakeside and Northway.

Yes, we certainly should vote out of office all those council members who do not represent the will of the majority of the citizens. We not only need a new council, we need a new manager, one who will not be so anxious to cement over the existing green space in our community.

In spite of citizen opposition, four council members have supported the building of a "Package Sewage Treatment Plant." Mr. Pilski stated to me that "Package sewage treatment plants are the way of the future." On the subject of the amendment to the burning ordinance, requested by a developer, he stated he "saw nothing wrong about a man trying to save money." The fact that the developer would save that money at the expense of our city's environment did not seem to concern Mr. Pilski.

Our developer-oriented council justifies its actions by saying that development "broadens the tax base." That is a vicious myth. The repetitive type of development of apartment complexes raises our taxes. These large groups of people, concentrated in a relatively small area, require police and fire protection, recreation, schools and other services. Since apartment residents do not pay any city taxes, the private home owners get their property taxes raised in order to provide these services. Note the 8 cent per \$100 of assessed value the city just recently favored us with.

Yes, Mr. Burchick, you and I and many other victims of this council's arrogant and high-handed actions will be looking forward to November 1973.

Viola L. Keer

## Buses and Not Education

To the Editor:

At the Greenbelt City Council meeting I heard some people discussing busing children around the county.

Some of them said that we should support our courts in their decisions, as if the power that they hold is reason for busing.

Some said that we need to redress past wrongs, as if our "guilt" was a reason to bus. As if the decision of the Board of Education to place schools in inconvenient places for Negroes left us no other alternative but to shift more children around the county to eliminate this fact. As if, because some Negroes were bused unfairly in the past, many people white and black should now be bused.

Some people implied, but did not say, that a reason for busing was to eliminate race prejudice, as if contact with more people of a different race instead of just a few would change their hearts. There were accusations made against people who disapproved of busing as if their motivation was race prejudice. This may possibly be true for some, but I fail to see them giving up their prejudice when they have to give up the convenience and right to send their child to a neighborhood school.

I also fail to see why people who are not bigots are accused of being so because they object to inconvenience, dangers, and waste of their tax money.

Some people implied that changing racial ratios would improve education in our schools for the better, as if our appointed Board of Education would now be more receptive to the needs of our children because a specific percentage of one color or the other attend a school or because a specific race is in greater attendance at that school - now changes could occur.

Some persons who obviously did not like the concept of forced busing were nevertheless gracious in their willingness to support it in the best possible manner. Many talked of making the transition easier as if there were benefits to be had by this busing venture.

I fail to see any benefits to anyone but gasoline companies. Perhaps I am being blinded by my fear that the government will become a dictator in too many areas of my life; that my tax money will be squandered on buses that pollute and not education that educates; and that my rights and conveniences (and my children's) will be taken away for the senseless reason of having a specific proportion of skins of two colors contained in each school.

Betty J. Hughes

## Model Yachting Program

Last October I proposed to the Greenbelt Park and Recreation Board that a model yachting program be instigated by the Recreation Department. . . . The program was to be a three-fold program of: How to design a model racing yacht; How to build a model racing yacht; How to control the direction of the model yacht over the water.

Unfortunately, after the proposal was made to the Board, I got deeply involved on the Planning Subcommittee to Evaluate the T.A.A.; and as a result the necessary follow-up was not given to the proposal and this resulted in inadequate publicity. This lack of publicity resulted in insufficient registration for the program for it to be presented by the Recreation Department.

However, I sincerely feel that there is sufficient interest in model yachting in the area.

So, a poster announcing a program entitled MODEL YACHT BUILDING has been placed in the window of the Twin Pines Savings and Loan. (Copies of the poster were also given the Library and the Youth Center.)

If you are interested in model yachting - or model power boating - it would be appreciated if you would get in contact with me. The phone number is 345-7323, the mail address is Box 218, Greenbelt, and my residence is 53-F Ridge.

Ben A. Hogensen

## "Some Practical Action"

To the Editor:

After a recent 3½ hour meeting of the Boxwood Citizen's Association on busing, which got nowhere, I can only feel that we are not seeing the forest for the trees. Endlessly discussed at the meeting were such things as seat belts and general transportation safety, whether the school board should be elected or not and the unfairness of the selection of Boxwood out of the rest of Greenbelt to be bused.

Such parochial thinking should not muddle what should be the real issue: the quality of education our children will receive and their emotional and physical safety, of which the actual bus trip is only a part.

The Washington Post, Jan. 10, 1972, carried a report of a recently released study which showed academic aptitude dropping in P.G. The figures were taken over a period of substantial migration into the county from D.C. when the schools went from 11% to 25% black. According to Victor Rice, director of testing and research for the county school system, "This is not to suggest that because people are black they score lower." The scores indicate, he said, socio-economic differences, rather than racial differences. Low scores correspond with pupils from low socio-economic background.

P. G. schools are faced with socio-economic integration which carries with it far greater problems than racial integration. Equal opportunity in employment and consequential increase in the incomes of many black families has mowed down any real racial discrimination in housing and thus, racial discrimination in neighborhood schools serving those areas.

The point I am trying to make here is that even if Boxwood were to have its fondest dream realized - having some other area of Greenbelt "chosen" - the problem is still with us. All the children of Greenbelt, Washington Heights, and P.G. county are affected - bused or not.

What we need, if I am to gather anything from mutterings heard at the Boxwood meeting, is some suggested practical action based on the reality of the fait accompli of Judge Kaufman's order. Here are some:

1. If you decide to boycott, which I understand many, many will do, plan some sort of alternative education for your children - at least until the end of this school year. If you do not serve yourself and your children, the boycott may inconvenience you more than the establishment you are trying to inconvenience. Already people are talking of holding classes in their basements. You need the advice of teachers and educational experts to carry this off . . . you need to organize a network of these classes with some ongoing means of communication between them.

2. If you decide to comply with busing, it might serve your interests to organize a group of parents of affected children (10 or so) to go with the children on the bus, stay at school and monitor the realities of the situation - classroom, playground, lunchroom, everywhere - to confirm or dispel fears and to participate and feel you have some influence. This would give the children needed support too.

3. If you oppose busing, withdraw your money from a Maryland bank. The Washington Post made light of this, but it's really an excellent idea if you think about it. Doing this would constitute a middle class revolt and have the effect of wreaking havoc with our banking system here, forcing banking officials to put pressure on the State and Federal government for relief. Don't laugh. Revolts can work. And, when you don't feel you're being heard, it's a way to get "a message to them."

One final thought . . . a friend from Fairfax recently said in response to my concern over potential lowering of the quality of P.G. education as a result of busing, "Don't worry, it's what happens in the home that counts the most anyway" . . . implying that we could compensate for anything the school

## Equal Rights

To the Editor:

Our daughter left for school this morning in tears. She suddenly realized that in less than three weeks she will no longer be allowed to attend North End School - unless something is done to stop forced busing. How will she feel on that fateful day when told to gather her belongings and take them home - because she can no longer attend Greenbelt North End Elementary School? Does she understand or deserve this injustice? We say NO!

In plain language, our daughter is to be denied an education in Prince Georges County, unless we put her on a bus and send her to John Carroll Elementary School in Landover. We say NO! We love her too much - she is too dear to us to even contemplate such an absurd idea. Her parents, her friends, her very roots are here in Greenbelt. She does not belong in Landover for any reason!

If this sounds like emotionalism, you are quite right. It is emotionalism; it is concern for our one daughter's welfare; and most of all, it is utter disgust for a system that allows this to happen.

Once again we feel an overwhelming sense of complete frustration. We have sat back and accepted tax raises, reassessments on our property, etc.; but we CANNOT AND WILL NOT ACCEPT FORCED BUSING. We cannot see one advantage for our child in this nightmare plan of forced busing. We see nothing but detrimental effects.

There is absolutely no human element involved in this busing plan. Our children were shown as groups of numbers. Our daughter is not a number to be shuffled around on a piece of paper (like musical chairs) to satisfy someone's warped sense of how to obtain racial balance.

Our daughter is nine years old. We gave her birth; we are responsible for her; we owe her security and happiness. What has she done in her short life to deserve the terrifying experience of being forced onto a bus, taken miles away, going into an alien neighborhood for six hours per day? She is our child! She is not Judge Kaufman's! He doesn't have to worry all day - Did my child arrive at school safely? Will my child miss the bus and be left in an unfamiliar neighborhood? Will my child be injured or killed in a bus accident?

Are we really supposed to be grateful for the opportunity of having our children loaded onto buses (like sheep) and bused around the county for several hours a day? An additional 43 buses in our county will surely guarantee utter chaos!

Please, let's not sit on our apathy and let this become a reality. Attend meetings, join motorcades, join the assembly at the Capitol. Write our elected officials. Some are working diligently with us. Others have taken no stand - they should be told to get "off the fence!" We believe that if enough people join together in an orderly and sincere manner, we can get this stopped. We must try!

Can't we retain a few rights? Can't we choose where we live and where our children attend school? We constantly hear the words "equal rights." If these are our equal rights, we're beginning to choke on them! We, personally, feel a heavy veil of oppression hanging over us which will continue to grow - unless we, the people, demand that our voices be heard.

These are our children. It should be our privilege of keeping them near us and giving them a feeling of security in their most formative years.

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We are not racists; we are not radicals - WE ARE PARENTS!

Betty and Joe Greco

does or doesn't do.

And then it hit me.

She just eliminated any reason for busing.

Vicki Lathom

## Information Law Tested

A test case of the Maryland Public Information Law was filed by Greenbelt Council member Rhea Cohen on December 12, 1972, versus the Maryland National-Capital Park and Planning Commission Chairman Royce Hanson, Vice Chairman Philip R. Hogue, Executive Director John P. Hewitt and Assistant Executive Director John A. Bosmyer.

On Friday, January 5, 1973, District Court Chief Judge James Rea heard arguments on a motion to show cause why the Commission should not grant access to highway and public transportation plans and traffic studies for the Central Avenue corridor from the National Capital Beltway to Md. Route 301, and information on the proposed Largo sports arena concerning payments to consultants.

Mrs. Cohen, represented by Harleigh Ewell, an attorney provided by the Prince Georges chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union, testified that as Land Use Committee Chairman for the Prince Georges Environment Coalition, she had requested traffic counts, plans, projections and studies in early November. She sought the information in order to prepare for an appeal of the County Zoning Hearing Examiner's decision granting a special exception for a drive-through animal park which is proposed on Central Avenue east of the Beltway.

The main argument of David Freistadt, MNCPPC Associate General Counsel, was that the requested plans, reports and studies were exempted under the law as "bona fide research projects being conducted by a state institution", and also that they were "interagency or intraagency memorandums or letters which would not be available by law to a party in litigation with the agency."

Ewell, counsel for Mrs. Cohen, contended that road plans and traffic studies are not research in the sense contemplated by the statute, that the MNCPPC is not a state institution for the purposes of the Public Information Act, and that factual reports are discoverable even though they might be inter- or intraagency documents.

At the conclusion of the hearing, Judge Rea took the case under advisement. He is expected to announce a decision in the near future.

The relatively new Public Information Law, which became effective on July 1, 1970, had been sponsored by Prince Georges County Delegate Dr. Arthur Dorman.

## City to Recognize Outstanding Employee

City Manager James K. Giese has announced plans for the Second Annual Outstanding City Employee Award. All City employees are eligible for this award if they are employed at the time of their nomination. The award consists of a \$100 Savings Bond and an inscribed wall plaque.

Selection of the winner will be made by the City Council. The principal basis for selection will be the employee's overall work record with the City and, in particular, his record with the City during the past year. While a particular event or heroic feat will be considered, the employee's general work record is of prime importance.

Any citizen or employee may nominate one or more employees for the award. Nominations should be made on forms available at the City Offices or by simply submitting the nomination in writing to the City Manager's Office. All nominations must be accompanied by reasons why the nominee deserves the award. The deadline for submitting nominations has been set as not later than January 31.

The winner of this award will be announced at a banquet to be held this spring, which will be attended by the employees.

Last year's winner of the first award was Norman F. (Buck) Powell, Public Works Foreman and an 18-year veteran of the Public Works Department.



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hibiting mass busing of public school students and urging citizens to obey court orders. In answer to many questions that dealt with the issue of school bus safety, he said that, while county council could act in the area of health, welfare, and safety, standards for school buses are set by the state. He also urged everyone to work aggressively and peacefully to get their viewpoints across.

Except for an occasional emotional outburst, the crowd was restrained but vocal in its opposition to "forced busing." Targeted for criticism were the Board of Education and its staff, those members of the city council not endorsing an anti-busing resolution and Judge Kaufman. The feeling of the group could probably best be described by the words of an angered member of the audience who said, "We are the people of the United States — what right does a judge have to do this? Who gives him the right to make the selection of those students who will be bused?"

#### Resolution Passed

After three hours of motion making, amendments, and parliamentary maneuvers, the association members finally accepted the resolution (mentioned above) presented by Dr. Herbert Brinkley and will meet this week for its final adoption. The resolution will be sent to the appropriate agencies, State Board of Education and the Governor of Maryland.

On December 29 the association sent a telegram to Judge Kaufman stating that the selection of Boxwood for busing is an injustice. "Boxwood is 5.2% black. Whether for or against busing, the present plan has this one case of inequality. If the plan is implemented, what recourse do we have for equitable busing as it affects Boxwood, an integrated community?"

Election results were announced as follows: Jim Parochetti was re-elected president; Jim Shaughnessy, vice-president; Walter Wight, corresponding secretary; Cil Marshall, secretary; Shirley Meredith, treasurer.

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Beginning this Friday, January 12, magazines will once again be collected for recycling purposes by the City. During the past several weeks only newspapers were being collected due to a backlog of magazines and similar material in the industry.

Residents are urged to note this change so that they may dispose of any accumulations of magazines they may have. It is expected that collection of magazines for recycling will now remain on a permanent basis.

## Environmental News

by Gabe Huck

"Tracks Are Back" their bright badges say, and indeed they were, for us at least, at Christmastime. The badges were worn by ticket agents, conductors and dining car waiters on the National Limited (Washington to Kansas City), the San Francisco Zephyr (Omaha to Chicago) and the Broadway Limited (Chicago to the Beltway Station)—and they made a trip home to Nebraska a great adventure.

Adventure though, hardly tops the environmental reasons for considering train travel on your next vacation. Pollution, or the lack of it does. The User's Guide to the Protection of the Environment, an excellent, practical, and inexpensive (\$1.25) paperback, produces a table comparing harmful emissions of the automobile, the Boeing 707, the bus, the train and the electric streetcar. In every category the train has the least amount of pollutants per passenger miles—IF the train is at least half filled.

To get those trains filled, we ask for convenience and economy. The trip to Kansas City is 1329 miles. At 10 cents a mile in a car, and that's a low figure, that would be \$139.90. One way on Amtrak for an adult is \$50. A family of four (children's ages 5 and 3) can go for \$99.99. The trip takes 29 hours and there is only one stop 20 minutes in St. Louis. Meals are delicious and cost less than medium priced restaurants (\$2 to \$3 for a large dinner). There's plenty of room to carry your baggage with you (don't check it through—Amtrak isn't ready for that yet), the people who work for the railroad are kind and helpful, and (think about it now) you can both relax and enjoy this land at the same time. Sleeping in the spacious, reclining seats is no problem. Stops are infrequent (average less than one per hour.)

Sometimes the trains are late (cold and blizzards were the reason when we went), but most other means of transportation suffer this also and waiting in one of the nation's beautiful old stations is far more pleasant than waiting through a traffic jam in your car. Paul Swatek writes in the book mentioned above: "It will sometimes take patience and a willingness to put up with some inconvenience. This is part of the new life style. It is part of the conversion process. A degree of equanimity will enable you to survive the inevitable inconveniences that come even when you use the 'more convenient' modes of getting around. At the same time you should channel your inevitable frustration in constructive actions. Let the transportation managers know when their system hasn't worked as it should."

Amtrak controls nearly all passenger train service in the United States. They seem to be trying hard. Give them a call before your next trip (the Washington number is 638-3100) and do the world a favor.

### Good Mental Health Is Meeting Topic

The Greater Greenbelt Chapter of ORT (Women's Organization for Rehabilitation through Training) will meet on Jan. 15 at 8 p.m. in the Hospitality Room of the Consumer Supermarket in Greenbelt. The speaker for the evening will be Ms. Clare Bigelow from the Prince Georges Mental Health Association, who will discuss teaching children good mental health habits.

The public is invited. Refreshments will be served. For further information call 474-7335.

## Greenbelt Lake Park Ice Skating Policy

The Greenbelt Lake is open for ice skating when weather conditions are favorable. In order to provide a wholesome, safe activity, the City has developed certain guidelines that should be followed. During cold weather, persons interested in ascertaining the condition of the ice at the lake should call the Greenbelt Police Department, 474-8000. It is impossible to continually test ice thickness over all areas of the lake, so skating will always be at the risk of the participant.

A green flag will be displayed on the Band Stand flag pole to indicate skating at your own risk! Recommended areas of skating are the shore lines and the bay around the peninsula. The lake area around the dam and spillway should be avoided, as open water is usually found in these areas. Parents should accompany young children. Skaters should also avoid gathering in groups on the ice.

The Recreation Department will attempt to provide assistance at the lake during week days from 4 p.m. to dark and on holidays, Saturdays and Sundays from 9 a.m. to dark. No skating will be allowed on the lake after dark. No fires will be allowed at the lake except those provided by the city because of the scarcity of firewood and danger from brush fires.

All skaters and parents should keep in mind the dangers involved in ice sports: A person who falls through the ice is in danger of drowning and freezing if he is not cared for immediately.

### Death: a Panel Discussion

"Death: A Fact of Life," an audience-panel discussion, will be presented by the Adult Services Department of the Greenbelt Library on Wednesday, January 17, at 7:30 p.m. in the Meeting Room.

Discussion subjects will be based on what the dying have to teach doctors, nurses, clergy and their own families as suggested by the Elisabeth Kubler-Ross book, *On Death and Dying*. Audience questions and participation is encouraged. Panel members include: Ms. Solange Hess, a registered nurse concerned with terminal patients and their families; Mrs. Nanette Brey, graduate assistant, University of Maryland, involved in Death Education courses; and Bruce Bowman, Maryland Suburban Memorial Society.

The moderator will be the Rev. Richard W. Kelley, of The Paint Branch Unitarian Church.

For additional information, call Mrs. Elizabeth F. Allen, Adult Services Department, at 345-5800.

### CYO Basketball News

The four St. Hugh's Basketball teams started their season in good style last weekend with three wins and a loss. Following is a brief resume of the action:

Girls Junior 1 team won over St. Ambrose, 10-6. Andrea Waters was high scorer for the winners.

Girls Junior 2 team lost to St. Bernards 16-6.

Girls' Intermediate team rolled over Holy Family 36-3. Kim Potts scored 15 for St. Hugh's.

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## Mabel Kandler Feted

On Saturday, January 6, the city feted its city treasurer of 30 years, Mabel Kandler, with a testimonial dinner. Mrs. Kandler now becomes the third city employee to achieve 30 years of service. (Director of Public Works, Buddy Attick, and Mel Simms previously received this distinction.) Each of the council members thanked Mrs. Kandler for her years of service and she was presented with a watch and a resolution from council members, as well as her 30-year pin.

In addition former Mayor and now county council member Francis White presented her with a resolution from the county and noted that the week of January 1-6 had been declared Mabel Kandler week, though no one seemed to be aware of this until it was announced at the dinner.

Other former mayors in attendance were Judge Edgar L. Smith and Allen Morrison, who was mayor when Mrs. Kandler was first appointed treasurer in 1942.

The highlight of Mrs. Kandler's career was probably achieved in 1964 when the city received a certificate of conformation from the Municipal Finance Officer's Association of the U. S. and Canada, a distinction earned by only about 200 cities in the country during the history of the association's making such awards. Mrs. Kandler will now be residing in Virginia. Mrs. Cicelia Pleasant is the new city treasurer.

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Former Greenbelters Mollie and George Boykoff of Bowie had a double celebration on December 24. They announced the engagement of their daughter, Gail, and their daughter Bonnie and her husband Robert Kaplan became parents. Jennifer Diane made her debut in Trenton, New Jersey, weighing 7 lbs 14 oz.

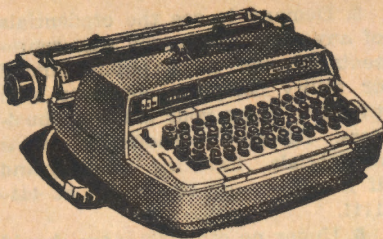
Congratulations to Wilbert R. Wilson of SHL on the publication of his book of poems, "Travels of the 20th Century and Beyond." Wilson, a native of Lynchburg, Virginia, received his B.S. degree from the University of Fayetteville in North Carolina and is presently a candidate for a Master's degree. He is attending classes at Bowie State and Frostburg State Colleges.

Winners of SHL's "Dress-A-Doll" Contest were Harriet Glickman, Alice Longgood, Cici Hughes, Arlene Dennis and Jan Shipley. The many participants entering the contests generously contributed some 150 dolls, which were given as Christmas presents.

Last Saturday John Hotaling, 2-J Northway, was feted at a surprise party given by his wife Blanca. The exciting occasion - John received his private pilot's license on January 2.

Latest members of the New Grandparents in Greenbelt Club are Steve and Betty Polaschik of 12-D Ridge. Granddaughter Melisa Kristine was born on Jan. 2 to Betty and Norman Smith of Rockville.

Among the young men who will compete for appointments to the class entering the U.S. Air Force Academy in July, 1973 is Proctor Hunt Paskalides of 27 Lakeside. Competing for the US Merchant Marine Academy will be Jonathon Woodruff Maffay, 128 Northway and Hoyt Edward Matthal, Ridge Rd.



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several references were made to the lack of rapport between the city council and the school board and its staff.

In this spirit, Schwan introduced a resolution, adopted unanimously, which called on the school board to provide additional information on the desegregation plan so that Greenbelters could better understand the plan and determine if any inequities were involved.

Among the items mentioned were the rationale for choosing certain schools and neighborhoods for participating in the plan, the reasons why there were differences in the white-black student ratios from section to section (the area north of Greenbelt to have a 9% black ratio, while Greenbelt to have a 33% black ratio), the reasons why Greenbelt was divided into two sectors, and the reasons why kindergarten and handicapped children were included in the busing plan.

**Maffay Motion**

Those who favored the Maffay motion argued that the motions of the majority were fine, but they did not go far enough. The proponents who, in contrast to the December 18 meeting, were slightly in the minority at last Monday's meeting, denounced the busing plan because the education of children will suffer, parent participation will decrease, after-hour school activities will be made difficult, money will be diverted from quality education to pay for buses, and there will be the increased hazards of additional children traveling on buses, especially on the Beltway.

Opponents of the Maffay motion either questioned these consequences or saw them as painful necessities to rectify a social wrong. They blamed the school board and the citizenry for not insisting on taking action earlier to remove the last vestiges of segregation in the county. Proponents insisted that the issue was not integration or segregation but simply the question of retaining the concept of neighborhood schools. Otherwise, they saw school children being moved every year to catch up with changing residential patterns.

The opponents took the position that the subject of busing to accomplish desegregation involves constitutional rights that the council is not equipped to handle or could not be instrumental in resolving. The proponents argued strongly that council has every legal right to reflect the views of its constituents on this subject.

Mayor Pilski summed up this attitude by saying that he is not advocating any illegal actions, but is for passage of legislation to promote the concept of neighborhood schools. He dismissed the notion that the Maffay motion was futile or useless, citing the storm of protest that is arising throughout the county and the pressure that is being put on Congress.

Supporters of the Maffay resolution stressed that the way to desegregate the schools was not by abandoning the neighborhood school con-

**Council to Support Heart Disease Screening Program**

With most of the January 8 city council dominated by the school busing issue, the council still managed to enact other business.

It authorized the expenditure of \$2,500 to match a grant made by the county council to underwrite the cost of a heart disease screening program to be operated at the Ridge Road Recreation Center. About 1,500 persons will be given tests during February 5-14, to detect heart ailments. City manager Jim Giese was concerned that no budgetary documents had been submitted to support the request for funds, but council decided to make an exception in view of the close deadline.

The council adopted two motions dealing with the obligations of developers with respect to street lights and planting of trees. The first provides for the developer to install street lights when constructing streets within public rights-of-way when the development is being served by underground electrical distribution service. The second would require developers undertaking improvements within the public right-of-way to plant trees along the parkway adjacent to new street construction.

A report (#120) submitted by the Advisory Planning Board commenting upon a land acquisition plan prepared by the city staff was referred to the Park and Recreation Advisory Board. This report, among other things, recommends city acquisition of land in the following order of priority: (1) parcel 15; (2) parcel 1; (3) GHI property; (4) Smith and Ewing North; (5) parcels 3, 4, and 5; (6) property behind the Ridge Road Center; (7) historic home site such as Toaping Castle site on the Golden Triangle, Indian Springs, and the Walker cemetery (also on the Golden Triangle).

Giese notified the city council that the price settled upon for acquisition of the 10-acre Springhill Lake golf course tract was \$86,700. The city is now in the midst of getting a flood plains study to determine the extent to which the land can be used for a building site.

The council will take up the rest of the agenda at its January 15 meeting after holding a public hearing on the question of annexing the 13.9 acres recently donated to the city from Federal surplus property.

cept but by encouraging integrated housing. Mrs. Maffay herself included in her motion a sentence reaffirming the city council's dedication to the concept of fully integrated neighborhoods with the resulting natural racial balance in the public schools. Opponents responded that desegregation of housing patterns is a long, long way off.

Opponents of the motion also were particularly concerned that measures of this kind were creating turmoil, nervousness, and fear among the children, unconsciously instilling bigotry, and inflaming the atmosphere. In response, several proponents arose to make clear that while fighting the busing order they were telling their children that they must obey the law. "My kids will be on the bus on the 29th if they have to go," one Boxwood Village woman said, "but I see nothing wrong with the city council standing behind our neighborhood schools."

**LET THE BUYER BEWARE**

by Michael Tanner, P.G. County Public Information Office

**DOOR TO DOOR SALESMAN**

"Knock, knock."  
"Who's there?"

It could be almost anyone from an escaped criminal to a legitimate charity solicitor. The wise consumer must be able to tell the difference.

Because of the Christmas selling season, the Prince Georges County Consumer Protection Commission already is reporting a rise in the volume of complaints about some of those who ply their trade house to house.

Problems created by this type of solicitor run the gamut from shady selling practices to outright fraud and housebreaking. County Police require all solicitors to carry a permit, showing their name, organization, and physical description.

Police Chief Roland B. Sweitzer warns, however, that possession of this permit does not imply recommendation by the police of the bearer, his merchandise, the services offered or the methods used in selling them.

The County Police also offer the following suggestions for those who are approached by door-to-door solicitors:

1. Always ask a solicitor to show his permit and check the expiration date.

2. Pay no money in advance to any solicitor. Always pay by check and make it payable only to the company. If a donation, make it payable to the organization for which funds are being collected. Be leery of solicitors who want checks made in their name.

3. Buy no merchandise from strangers who give the impression that the goods offered are a great "bargain." You may be getting faked or stolen property.

4. Never permit a solicitor or any other stranger to enter your house. Make them transact their business in the vestibule or doorway with the inside door chain in place. Don't leave him standing in the open doorway while you go to another part of the house.

5. Demand to see the credentials of any unknown person who represents himself as a public official or utility company employee who wants to enter your home on business. His picture should be on his credentials. Examine it closely and if in doubt, call the police at 444-1111.

6. Under no circumstances should you inform strangers of a neighbor's absence.

In the following cases the police should be informed at once by calling the emergency number, 444-1111:

—if a solicitor has no permit or if his permit has expired.

—if you have been defrauded by a solicitor or if you are not sure of the so-called "bargain" offered.

—if you are asked to donate to a charity by a person not displaying a name badge identifying both the charity and the solicitor's full name.

—if any time a solicitor is rude, intimidates you in any way or forces you to buy a product or service or give a donation.

The Consumer Protection Commission offers these additional hints for dealing with door-to-door salesmen:

1. Some salesmen leave merchandise at your home on an "approval" basis. Too often these salesmen never come back and you end up with the bill. Don't be talked into

something you don't really want on the theory that you can "always send it back."

2. Verbal Guarantees: You are legally bound by what the contract says, not what a salesman tells you. Therefore, do not accept spoken guarantees. Get it in writing. Make sure that you understand what a contract says and that you are protected fully.

3. Referral Selling: If someone tells you to sign up as one of his customers and earn extra cash by simply "referring" other customers to him, beware! The contract you're signing is for merchandise you're buying, whether you think so or not. As for the extra cash for referrals, most reputable firms avoid this technique entirely.

4. If you feel that you have been pressured into signing an installment contract by any solicitor, you have a 3-day "cooling off period" during which you can back out of any contract you have signed. Most people are unaware of this provision of the 1970 Maryland State Consumer Protection Ordinance, but it can save your wallet a great deal of harm. Send a registered letter to the company involved, (so the dates will be recorded) stating your decision to withdraw from the contract, and, of course, keep a copy for your records.

Keep in mind that many door-to-door salesmen are honest businessmen, and you'll probably be able to tell by his pitch whether he's trying to pull a "fast one" or not. Use your own judgment, but remember the basic rule: let the buyer beware.

**MOTHERS!!!**

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**Public Parkland Bill is Introduced**

A bill designed to protect the county's 11,000 acres of public parkland from development without County Council control or public input was introduced by Councilman Ronald R. Reeder on Jan. 2. The bill repeals last year's measure that permitted the development of Abe Pollin's 17,500-seat sports arena on Largo land owned by the MNCPPC and tagged parkland.

According to the proposed bill, recreational buildings in public parks zoned rural residential must be under the direct supervision and direction of public authorities, usually PPC, Reeder said. The bill doesn't affect any project already approved or in operation. Further it specifically exempts enclosed sports arenas seating more than 15,000 persons, mainly because such a project would be beyond PPC's ability to fund.

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**CITY OF GREENBELT  
MARYLAND****Notice of Public Hearing**

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of Greenbelt, Prince Georges County, Maryland, will conduct a Public Hearing in the Council Room, Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, Maryland, on

**Monday, January 15, 1973 at 8:00 P.M.**

or as soon thereafter as it may be heard, on a Resolution of the Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, Enlarging the Corporate Boundaries of the City of Greenbelt by Annexing Land Contiguous and Adjoining the Existing Corporate Area, the land being annexed presently being owned in its entirety by the aforesaid City of Greenbelt. A Fair summary of said property being described as follows:

All that parcel of land lying and being in the aforesaid County, recorded in Liber 4157 at folio 74, beginning at a corner common to the Agricultural Research Center, the City of Greenbelt and Washington-Baltimore Parkway, said point being distant North 2377.20 feet from the corner common to the Agricultural Research Center, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, and the City of Greenbelt; thence running from said beginning point, so fixed, with the division line between the City of Greenbelt and the Agricultural Research Center North 2122.20 feet to a stone found marking the northeast corner of the City of Greenbelt. Thence across the land of the Agricultural Research Center East 574.12 feet to a point in the northwesterly side of the Washington-Baltimore Parkway; Thence with said side the following three courses and distances: S 15° 31' 37" W 520.24 feet to a stone found; S 14° 59'38" W 1034.99 feet to a stone found; S 15° 03'18" W 643.28 feet to the point of beginning.

The property contains 13.9044 acres, more or less, and was formerly a portion of the Agricultural Research Center, Part of Area No. 5, Parcel 2, Beltsville, Prince George's County, Maryland, A-Md-404F, under the administrative jurisdiction of the Department of Agriculture, an agency of the United States Government.

Said Resolution proposes to extend the boundaries of the City of Greenbelt to include the aforesaid area; and provides that all the laws of the State of Maryland applicable to the City of Greenbelt which are now in force or may hereafter be enacted, and all the existing charter provisions and ordinances of the City of Greenbelt shall be extended and made applicable to such portion of Prince Georges County as is, under the provisions of this Resolution annexed to and made a part of the City of Greenbelt; and said Resolution further provides that all inhabitants of the territory annexed to the City of Greenbelt by this Resolution shall, in all respects and to all intents and purposes, be subject to the powers, jurisdiction and authority vested, or to be vested by law, in the Council of the City of Greenbelt or which may hereafter be enacted or ordained by it, and the territory so annexed shall, in all respects, be taken and considered as a part of the municipal corporation of the City of Greenbelt. Copies of this Resolution may be obtained from the City Clerk, Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, Maryland, Telephone 474-8000.

Gudrun H. Mills  
City Clerk

**CITY OF GREENBELT  
MARYLAND****Invitation to Bid**

The City of Greenbelt, Maryland is seeking bids for the purchase of One (1) four door sedan equipped for use as a police squad car, for which specifications and bid forms may be obtained by contacting the City Clerk, 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, Maryland 20770, Telephone 474-8000. Bids will be received at the City Offices, 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, Maryland until

**8:00 P.M., February 5, 1973**

at which time they will be publicly opened and read at a meeting of the City Council.

Gudrun H. Mills, City Clerk

**Recreation Review****ICY ITEMS**

Ice skating anyone . . . try Greenbelt Lake when conditions permit. The Recreation Department will attempt to provide assistance on week days from 4 p.m. until dark; on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays from 9 a.m. until dark. A green flag will be displayed on the band stand flag pole to indicate skating at your own risk.

**KAVA**

"Green Eggs", a new area rock band, with fabulous sounds of the times, will start the New Year off for Kava on Saturday, January 13 from 8 - 11 p.m. at the Youth Center. All teens are invited. Dress is casual, a nominal fee will be charged.

**WINTER PROGRAMS**

With the exception of five and seven week classes, the Saturday recreation programs run from this Saturday, Jan. 13 thru March 17. Week day programs run from Monday, Jan. 15 thru March 23. Ten weeks total unless otherwise noted. Snow make-up, if necessary, will be during the week of March 26.